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IL 178 River Bridge

Utica, Illinois

Ottawa, IL – The Illinois Department of Transportation announces that construction activities are scheduled to begin February 24, 2017 on the IL 178 River Bridge in Utica, Illinois.

A \$25,584,272.11 contract has been awarded to D Construction, Inc. of Coal City, IL for the project, which includes the construction of a new bridge over the Illinois River and the removal of the existing bridge.

Initial work will consist of tree removal and construction of temporary pavement. Short-term, daytime delays may be encountered due to flagging operations. Once complete, one lane will be open in each direction over the existing bridge as the new bridge is built on a new alignment.

Access to Starved Rock State Park will be maintained throughout the duration of the project which is expected to be completed in 2019.

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